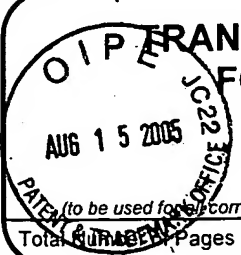

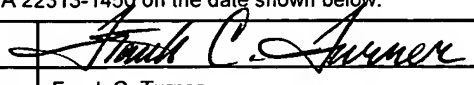


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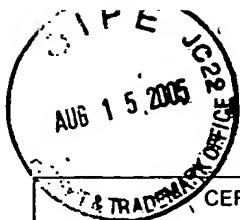
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ELECTION

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Sir:

This Election is responsive to the restriction requirement mailed July 13, 2005, for which a shortened statutory period for response of thirty (30) days was set, making this election due by August 13, 2005. This Election is believed to be timely filed and that no fees are due. In the event the Office determines that fees are due in association with the filing of this Election, the Office is hereby authorized to deduct

said fees from Deposit Account No. 03-1620 referencing attorney docket number 00041-DV4.

In the Election mailed April 20, 2005, Applicants elected with traverse Group II, identified by the Office as claims 9-21. In the Office Action mailed July 13, 2005, further restriction is imposed with respect to:

Species a-1: as disclosed on page 10, lines 2-3; and

Species a-2: as disclosed on page 10, line 3.

Election With Traverse

Applicants hereby elect species a-2, as identified by the Office, for examination in the captioned application.

Applicants' election is made with traverse for the reason that species a-1 and a-2 are believed to be obvious variants of one another and are not believed to be patentably distinct.

Reconsideration of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

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Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement. This is believed to be a full and complete response to the outstanding Restriction mailed July 13, 2005. The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frank C. Turner", is written over a horizontal line.

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